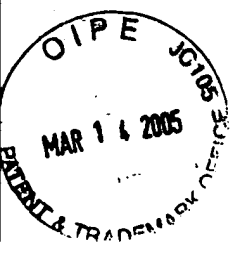


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Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 17, 2004, please consider the following **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.